IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Kawai Lan

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THIRD AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

For: STABILIZED MUTANT OPSIN PROTEINS

Customer No.: 70680

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Sir:

This is a third response to the "final" Office Action mailed August 25, 2010, which set November 25, 2010 as the initial deadline for reply. This Third Response is believed to be timely filed, and no fees are believed due. Previous responses were filed on September 8 and October 19, 2010, and Applicants understand from the Advisory Actions mailed September 27 and November 5, 2010, that the previous responses were "not entered."

Reconsideration in light of the following is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.